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SUBJECT: **Status Report - Sheriff Contract City Billing Practices**

At the May 25, 2004 meeting, your Board directed the Auditor-Controller to review each of the Sheriff's organizational units to identify costs that are excluded from the contract city cost model by Board policy established in the 1970's, and to make recommendations regarding billing those costs. Your Board requested that we provide monthly status reports.

On March 10, 2005, we issued our Final Phase I report that included findings for all 14 of the Sheriff's unbilled internal support units. Subsequently, we have begun Phase II of our review, which focuses on the Sheriff's organizational units that generally provide direct services to the public (e.g., Arson/Explosives, Homicide, Narcotics, etc).

We are currently working to complete our first status report for Phase II and expect to issue our report to your Board by May 13, 2005. If you have any questions, please contact me or your staff may contact Mike Pirolo at (626) 293-1110.

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